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Petrograd Thinks Object of Offensive on Dvinsk Front Has Been Achieved.

PETROGRAD, April 11, via London April 12.—The fighting north and south greatest complacency, snoe the main Field Marshal von Hindenburg's Dvinsk position-to create a diversion while progress-is regarded as having been

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The necessity of defending their Dvinsk positions is said to have upset the calculations of the German general staff, who had counted on a period of quiet along the Russian front to enable them to transfer troops to engage in the campaign against the French.

The unexpected pressure by the Russians, which made considerable headway against the German armies at Jacobstadt, Postavy and Lake Narocz, according to the prevailing view here, not only forced von Hindenburg to use all his available forces, including the resians, which made considerable head-way against the German armies at Ja-cobstadt, Postavy and Lake Narooz, ac-cording to the prevailing view here, not only forced von Hindenburg to use all his available forces, including the re-serves on this front, but necessitated the bringing up of fresh troops destined for Verdun to prevent the possibility of being compelled to abandon the whole Dvinsk line.

Turks Stiffen Resistance.

The operations of the Russian Caucasian armies, now fighting their way to Trebizond and Erzinjan, Mesopotamia, have entered upon a new phase. in which Turkish resistance is no longer a negligible factor. By a careful re-

er a negligible factor. By a careful regrouping of their forces the Turks now are opposing the three main lines of the Russian advance with a solid organized resistance, which gives way only after most stubborn fighting.

Acording to estimates by Russian officers, the Turkish force has at least been doubled by reinforcements from European Turkey, the greatest part of which are concentrated near Erzinjan, which, despite the importance of Trebizond and the Persian operations, is a region of the greatest value to the Turks, since it stands in the way of the main Caucasian armies, whose ultimate aim is to sweep westward toward Constantinople.

Official Russian Statement.

The official commuunication issued today says:

"On the Dvina front there have been of that city for the year 1914, and using the 1909 period for comparison.

The capital invested in 1914 was \$48,-674,000, a gain of \$17,014,000, or 53.7 per cent over the figures for 1909.

The value of products was \$62,491,000 in 1914 and \$125,500 in 1909 and in 1909 and increase being \$15,133,000, or 32 per cent.

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The value of products was \$62,491,000 in 1914 and \$125,500 in 1914 and \$125,500 in 1914 and \$125,500 in 1909, an increase of \$6,307,000, or 25 per cent. The average cost of materials used was \$30,-659,000 in 1914 and \$64,000 in 1909.

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"On the Dvina front there have been artillery duels. In the region of the Ikskull bridgehead the Germans tried unsuccessfully to assume the offensive "In the region of Dvinsk and south-ward in the lake region the enemy-artillery in many sectors manifested great activity. On the remainder of the front there is nothing to report. "Caucasus front: Southwest of Erze-rum our troops continue to occupy new ground."

TWO DUTCH STEAMERS TORPEDOED, IS VERDICT

first was caused by the explosion a some distance of a drifting mine, which was fired upon by a British torpedo boat destroyer. After the explosion the Palembang remained undamaged. The second explosion was caused by a torpedo fired at short range which hit the Palembang.

Witnesses Are Unanimous.

"This is established beyond doubt by the British torpedo boat destroyer, be

are confirmed by the fact that no other drifting mines were observed, and the Palembang at the time of the second and third explosions was motionless, and there was, therefore, no possibility of a collision with an anchored mine. Even supposing that the Palembang was carried along by the current, it must be observed that the current was nearly due south, so that a mine would have hit the ship on the port side, whereas the explosion took place on the starboard."

behind the first funnel. The explosion caused a hole extending from the bottom to the shelter deck. Witnesses observed a streak on the water auproaching the Tubantia at great speed, directed at the point where the explosion occurred.

"From investigation made by expertit is clearly shown that the pieces of metal in the Tubantia's boats came from a Schwartzkopf torpedo. Statements of witnesses and of experts prove that the explosion was caused by a torpedo, fired from some distance by a submarine or a torpedo boat without warning. In view of the fact that no other vessel was in the vicinity, it is evident that the torpedo was meant for the Tubantia.

"That no lives were lost was due merely to the fact that no passengers had cabins near the spot where the ship was hit."

Report Is Received Here.

A confidential report on the sinking of the Tubantia was received today by
the State Department, but officials refused to make it public or give any
indications of its nature. The conclusions of the Dutch official investigators,
published in today's Amsterdam dispatches, were regarded as highly significant, as they come from a neutral,
and they probably will be included in
the review of the accumulation of
cases which Secretary Lansing is considering in determining the next step
in the submarine situation.

Up to noon today the State Departmet had no advices from Ambassador
Gerard to indicate whether the German
note on the Sussex had been delivered
to him or whether it had been started
for the United States. Unofficial reports say it has. of the Tubantia was received today by

CHARGES BIG CONSPIRACY TO EVADE THE BLOCKADE

British Attorney General Alleges "Albert" Was Head of "Machinations" Here.

LONDON, April 12.—The prize court ground that it was destined for Germany, although ostensibly bound for Sweden. The attorney general, Sir of Dvinsk is being waged fiercely, but Frederick Smith, said that by the dis- injuries were Charles Robertson, Ella etill without decisive advantage to covery of documentary evidence there Robertson and B. F. Lee, 308 Vine either side. Military opinion here is had been revealed a gigantic organi-inclined to view the situation with the zation to evade the blockade of Germany. Julia Manning, 461 Blair road, and had been revealed a gigantic organization to evade the blockade of Germany.

The person referred to as Albert in certain interrupted cablegrams, he asserted, was the chief financial adviser of the German government in the United States. Sir Frederick said Albert was the governing figure in all these "machinations" in America, and that it had been found he was handling millions of dollars in these matters without apparent embarrassment.

The attorney general also read some of the letters taken from James F. J. Archibald in an endeavor to prove Albert's connection with the Fordney's cargo. He ridiculed the idea that "the good Albert' was engaged in speculation for the supply of cattle tnd food stuffs for Sweden.

The reservation in the case of the Joseph W. Fordney also applied to the cargoes of three other neutral steamships, whose cases were argued simultaneously. These steamers are the Louisiana and Tomsk, Danish, and the Nordic, Swedish, all of whose cargoes were said to be desined for Sweden.

RICHMOND PRODUCTS GAIN.

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Manufactures in Five Years

street; Mrs. John Findley, Pine Crest;
Julia Manning, 461 Blair road, and Martha Colbert, 135 Blair road. Traffic on the road was interrupted until midnight.

Elmer Bates, 1100 Connecticut avenue and Q street northwest last night about 6:30 o'clock, collided with a horse and was on o'clock, collided with a horse and was on were damaged, and Bates received a scalp wound. He was taken to Emergency Hospital. Fellx Miller, colored, nine years old, 1162 21st street northwest, last night the experience of being ru

Manufactures in Virginia City Make Great Strides in Five Years.

Richmond, Va., has shown great strides as a manufacturing city during the five years intervening between 1909 and 1914, according to a report issued today by the bureau of the census covering the census of manufactures of that city for the year 1914, and using

The number of salaried employes was 2,901 in 1914, as compared with 2,149 in 1909, making an increase of 752, or 35

The average number of wage earners was 17,282 in 1914 and 14,849 in 1909, the increase being 3,433, or 16.4 per

GAINS IN MANUFACTURES.

Advance Shown in Capital Invested and in Products, Norfolk, Va.

Gains all along the line are shown for the manufacturing industry of Norfolk, Va., for the period of 1914 as compared with 1909, according to a report issued today by the census bureau. In 1914 the capital invested in the manufacturing industry was \$13,-757,000, compared with \$10,744,000 for AMSTERDAM, via London, April 12.—
The Dutch shipping council, which was intrusted by the government with the official investigation into the sinking of the Dutch steamships Palembang and Tubantia, has issued the report of 1909, compared with \$10,144,000 in 1909 the 1909 period—a gain of 23.4 per cent. The value of the products was \$14,-955,000 in 1914 and \$10,341,000 in 1909, the increase amounting to 44.6 per cent. The salaries and wages amounted to \$3,395,000 in 1914, and to \$2,677,-900 in 1909, the increase being \$718,000,

and Tubantia, has issued the report of 000 in 1909, the increase being \$718,000, or 26.8 per cent.

The number of salaried employes was 690 in 1914, as compared with 647 in 1909, making an increase of 43, or 6.6 per cent.

With regard to the Palembang the report says, in part:

"Three explosions took place. The 1909, the increase amounting to 24.2 per cent.

PLACED ON HOUSE CALENDAR.

Bill for Light-Draft Coast Guard Cutters for Inland Waters. With the approval of the Senate al-

ready given and a unanimous report out of the committee on interstate and foreign commerce of the House, the bill the unanimous statements of the wit- to provide three light-draft coast guard nesses, who saw the track of the tor- cutters, at a cost of \$80,000 each, for se on inland waters of the United States is now on the calendar of the

the British torpedo boat destroyer, because the torpedo passed some meters in front of the latter vessel. It is possible that the torpedo was meant for the destroyer, but, missing it, hit the Palembang.

"The third explosion was also a torpedo. The first mate of the steamship clearly saw its track approaching six lengths away on the starboard. This torpedo was aimed at the Palembang because the British torpedo boat destroyer was then a great distance arway.

"The definite statements of the crew are confirmed by the fact that no other drifting mines were observed, and the Palembang at the time of the second and drawn plans for the type of light-draft steamer that it regards as most and drawn plans for the type of light-draft steamer that it regards as most efficient for the purposes.

The bill provides for three typical light-draft river steamers, each pro-vided with four powerful motor boats and equipped with life-saving appa-ratus necessary for work along the rivers.

mearly due south, so that a mine would have hit the ship on the port side, whereas the expiosion took place on the starboard."

Verdict in Tubantia Case.

With rgard to the Tubantia, the report says, in part:

"The ship was preparing to cast anchor at 2:20 a.m., when she was hit and a severe explosion took place in the coal bunkers on the starboard side, behind the first funnel. The explosion to have been a proper to the wave from Fittsburgh down to the mouth of the Missispipi, giving service in saying life and property and in distributing food and clothing to marround people. During flood times surgeons of the public health service medical and surgical aid where needed, behind the first funnel. The explosion to the policy of the public health service medical and surgical aid where needed, behind the first funnel. The explosion in patrolling inland waters for enforce-

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SIX PASSENGERS HURT.

Takoma Park Car Jumps Track.

Other Accidents Reported. northbound car on the Takoms served decision yesterday in the case Park division of the Washington Railof the American steamer Joseph W. way and Electric Company at 4th and Fordney, whose cargo of cattle and Butternut streets last night became deseed cake the British government is railed as a result of a broken front endeavoring to have condemned on the wheel. A number of passengers were thrown from their seats, but none sustained serious injuries.

Six passengers who sustained slight Julia Manning, 461 Blair road, and

WOULD CURTAIL DEFECTIVES.

Lecturer on Eugenics Says Feeble-

Minded Numbers Are Growing. "There will be more feeblenindedness in 'the next generaion than in the present, because mental qualities are inherited, and the feeble-minded are reproducing more rapidly," said Prof. H. E. Crampton of Barnard College last night in the course of a lecture on "Biology as the Basis of Eugenics."

"One in every thirty persons in the United States is defective," said Prof. United States is defective," said Prof. Crampton. "This is growing rapidly. Mental defectives are reproducing in greater number than normal men, proof of which can be seen by the comparison of the facts that college professors have an average of two children per family, while defectives range from five to six per family.

"The processes of heredity are the same in man as in the lower animals, so we may safely proceed to reduce the number of defectives by keeping those people from breeding."

ment of navigation and motor boat laws and in aiding vessels in distress.

The proposed headquarters for each of the cutters are at Louisville or Cincinnati, at St. Louis and at Helena. Ark., or Vicksburg, Miss.

Capt. Randall to Abandon Sea Duty.

Capt. Randall, master of the is now at Baltimore, unloading big United States naval fuel ship and to be brought to the nava der-making plant at Indian Helena yard unloaded the government ex-

big United States naval fuel ship Mars, which last week at the navy yard unloaded the government exhibits from the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, is to retire from the vessel, it is stated, on her arrival in Hampton roads and will take

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